
Health Care & Wellness Committee

HB 1009

Brief Description: Adjusting the membership of the pharmacy quality assurance commission.

Sponsors: Representatives Low, Ramel and Eslick.

<p style="text-align: center;">Brief Summary of Bill</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Changes the membership of the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission.
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Hearing Date: 1/15/25

Staff: Jim Morishima (786-7191).

Background:

The Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission (PQAC) has a variety of functions, including the licensing of pharmacies, pharmacists, pharmacy assistants, and pharmacy technicians and enforcing and regulating legend drugs and controlled substances. The PQAC consists of the following 15 members, all of whom are appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate:

- ten pharmacist members;
- four public members; and
- one pharmacy technician member.

The public members must be Washington residents and may not be affiliated with any aspect of pharmacy.

Summary of Bill:

This analysis was prepared by non-partisan legislative staff for the use of legislative members in their deliberations. This analysis is not part of the legislation nor does it constitute a statement of legislative intent.

One of the positions on the Pharmacy Quality Assurance Commission designated for a pharmacist is replaced with a position that may be filled by either (1) a pharmacist or (2) a public member who is an owner, operator, or officer of a pharmacy and who is not a pharmacist or a pharmacy technician.

Appropriation: None.

Fiscal Note: Requested on January 9, 2025.

Effective Date: The bill takes effect 90 days after adjournment of the session in which the bill is passed.